



# The Voice of StillWaters

## A Message From Your COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER – JASON KLEPPER

September  
2026

I would like to extend a warm greeting to all the residents of StillWaters.

Welcome to September! StillWaters is buzzing with activity as we transition into another brand-new season. Hopefully, temperatures will soon begin to drop, and we can all enjoy that cool fall breeze that brings an end to the sweltering heat of summer. Football season is upon us, and it's time to start making plans to get out there and cheer for our favorite teams. Fall truly is one of the best times of the year.

School days are officially back! Please be mindful of school traffic and children waiting for buses, and always obey posted speed limits. Let's work together to keep our student residents safe as they head back to the classroom.

While traveling our roadways, please also be mindful of neighbors who enjoy walking, jogging, biking, or taking a ride on their golf carts or ATVs. As the temperatures become more comfortable, more residents will be out enjoying the beautiful weather, and their safety should always be a priority.

Another thing to keep in mind while driving through our beautiful community is that deer, geese, and our other animal friends will begin moving about more frequently as natural browse declines and they transition into their fall feeding patterns.

We have installed directional signs along our roadways to help direct traffic to and from the commercial establishments within StillWaters. Our goal is to reduce the amount of traffic cutting through neighborhoods and residential areas.

Labor Day is just around the corner! For many in our community, it ushers in the last few weekends of summer fun as the seasonal slowdown begins. We hope you enjoy the long holiday weekend with family and friends. If you are hosting guests or planning to spend time on the water, please remember to follow all community guidelines and regulations to help ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday for everyone.

Keep an eye out for a possible extension of Lake Martin's full-pool water level. **Alabama Power Shorelines** will post weekly updates each Tuesday through September 30 to keep residents informed of the current status.

It is such a pleasure to be a part of this wonderful community! Please do not hesitate to reach out to us at the SWRA Office if we can assist you in any way, or simply stop by to say hello. We appreciate all of our residents here in StillWaters and take great pride in helping make this the best community possible.

### SWRA

#### Business Hours

Monday – Friday  
8 am - 5 pm  
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## SWRA Board of Directors

### What Does Serving on the SWRA Board of Directors Involve?

The SWRA Board is responsible for maintaining the quality of life in our community, managing finances, ensuring that common areas are well-kept, and making decisions that affect all residents. If you care about preserving property values, fostering a welcoming environment, and ensuring that our community remains a great place to live, joining the board is a great way to contribute.

The SWRA Board consists of seven dedicated members, who serve a three-year term and meet twice a month on the first and third Tuesdays for about three to four hours per meeting. Each meeting is divided into two parts:

- **General Session:** This session covers a wide range of community issues, including maintenance, budgeting, upcoming projects, and resident concerns and is open to all homeowners.
- **Executive Session:** This part of the meeting is private and confidential. It covers sensitive topics like legal matters, contract negotiations, and resident disputes.

In addition to the regular meetings, board members manage or attend additional committee meetings and responsibilities, special meetings, phone calls, and social events. Bi-monthly meeting prep involves reviewing agendas and documents for discussion. Board members discuss and make decisions that will not always be the most popular among all property owners but are the best decision for the community. Board decisions must also follow what is required in the governing documents within the limitations of these. Being a board member takes hard work, a good bit of time and dedication but is rewarding in protecting and improving our community. If you are interested, make the commitment and run for a board seat.

Prospective Board candidates resumes are due into the Nominating Committee by October 14, 2026.

If not nominated by the Nominating Committee, property owners under the 1987 covenants, may still run for the Board by obtaining a petition signed by a minimum of 20 property owners, who are in good standing with the StillWaters Residential Association.

### SWRA BYLAWS, ARTICLE VII NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Section 7.1. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominations Committee of five (5) members, two (2) of whom shall be Directors and three shall be non-Directors. The Committee shall be appointed at least 60 days before any members' meeting at which elections for the Board of Directors is to be held. The Committee shall nominate candidates to fill Board vacancies at least 30 days prior to the election and provide that list to the Secretary. No member of the Nominations Committee shall be eligible to be nominated. Nominations of members must be in good standing and may also be made by petition signed by twenty (20) or more members, in good standing, filed with the Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to the election.

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## The Building Permit Process

Planning to build, remodel, add a fence or deck, replace a roof, or make other exterior improvements? Your project requires approval from the StillWaters Residential Association (SWRA) Architectural Review Committee (ARC) before work begins. The SWRA Protective Covenants established the ARC to review exterior construction and improvements to help preserve the appearance, character, and property values of the StillWaters community.

Article II, Section 2.2 of the 1987 Protective Covenants requires ARC approval before constructing, moving, or making any exterior changes to a building or structure.

**If your project changes the exterior appearance of your property, ARC approval is required.** Before starting your project, review the Protective Covenants and Exhibit “B” in the **Governing Documents** section of [stillwatersra.com](http://stillwatersra.com)

### The Permit Process

**Select the Correct Permit:** Choose the permit that best matches your project. Projects on the shoreline of Lake Martin or in the water also requires approval from Alabama Power’s Lake Martin Shoreline Management.

**Gather Required Document:** Each permit has a checklist of required documents. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

**Complete the Application:** Fill out the application electronically, if possible, then print and sign it. Handwritten applications can be turned in at the SWRA office.

**Submit Your Package:** Bring, email or mail the completed application and all required documents to the SWRA office.

Before a permit can be reviewed:

- Your SWRA account must be in **Good Standing**.
- The application package must be complete.
- A majority of the ARC members must approve the plans.
- The project must comply with the Protective Covenants and Exhibit “B.”
- The permit fee must be paid before the permit is issued.

### Before You Begin

Work may begin **only after** any applicable fees have been paid and SWRA staff has posted the permit on your property, typically in a location visible from the street. ARC representatives periodically inspect projects to ensure construction matches the approved plans.

If changes become necessary after approval, **written ARC approval is required before the changes are made.** **Unauthorized** changes may delay your project or result in the permit being modified or withdrawn. Following the permit process protects your investment while helping preserve the beauty and property values of the StillWaters community.

For questions about permits or your project, please contact the SWRA office, **256-853-0333**, before beginning construction.



## 2025 SWVFD Fire Dues

### STILLWATERS VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION: UNPAID DUES & LIEN NOTICES

If your fire dues are usually escrowed by your Mortgage Company, and you received a second billing in May for unpaid balance(s), we encourage you to contact your Mortgage Company to (1) see if your escrowed fees were released to a third-party to pay and, if they were, (2) inform your Mortgage Company that their third-party payor **DID NOT** submit these funds to the fire department.

The Fire Department has typically received a large amount of fees from one particular third-party payor; however, this year the vendor merged with another company and funds have not yet been received despite multiple attempts to resolve this issue.

Regardless of the circumstances, **by law, the parcel owner is ultimately responsible for any unpaid fire dues and allowable fees.** Additionally, please be aware that **liens are processed for all parcels with unpaid balances during the month of August.**

If you do think you have an outstanding balance:



You can contact our accountant [fbritton@abernathybritton.com](mailto:fbritton@abernathybritton.com) to pay your outstanding balance and avoid a lien being placed on your parcel. Your invoice may also be paid by following the QR code link above. You must have an invoice number to pay via the link

### Slow Down and Share the Road: Community Speed Safety

Our community is a beautiful place to walk, play, take pets for a walk and to ride bikes and golf carts. To keep everyone safe, please remember to watch your speed when driving on the roads in StillWaters.

The absolute maximum speed limit anywhere in our community is 35 MPH. However, many areas drop down to 20 MPH or less. These lower speed zones are usually near intersections, within areas where homes are near the roads, entry gates, crosswalks, and sharp curves. Also, please be sure to observe all stop signs. We ask that you come to a complete stop for them.

The Tallapoosa County Sheriff's Office has been contacted regarding some of the excessive speeding that is occurring and will be patrolling the roads. As a reminder, speeding within StillWaters is a ticketable offense.

Slowing down gives you more time to react and is a courtesy to the homeowners and others enjoying getting out in our beautiful community. Let's all do our part to keep our streets quiet, calm, and safe for everyone. Please check your speedometer and follow the posted signs!

### Drive Safely, Avoid Distractions

Watch out for walkers, pets, runners and cyclists on StillWaters roads.



## A Place to Call Your Own

### SWRA Lots For Sale

SWRA owns a number of vacant lots in StillWaters that are listed for sale. We have experienced great success with the sales of SWRA owned lots which benefits all of our community. Now is the time to purchase a SWRA lot either as a buffer between you and your neighbor or as an investment. If there is an undeveloped lot next to you and you want it to remain in its natural state rather than to be developed, the only way to ensure that is if you own the property.

Lots currently listed in MLS are:

|                        |                         |                          |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Lot 12 Bent Hickory    | Lot 9 Pineview Lane     | Lot 51 Long Leaf Terrace |
| Lot 30 Springwood Lane | Lot 42 Fern Ridge Court | Lot 26 Tree Top Lane     |
| Lot 31 Deer Run Road   | Lot 20 Vista Wood Drive | Lot 1 Knollwood          |
| Lot 33A Deer Run Road  | Lot 35 Vista Wood Drive | Lot 2 Knollwood          |
| Lot 34 Deer Hollow     | Lot 8 Pineview Lane     | Lot 3 Knollwood          |



There are others that we have not yet listed publicly however our agent can show any of the lots owned by SWRA to you. Contact Associate Broker Sealy Hargrove of Roots Real Estate if you are interested in purchasing a SWRA owned lot. Contact Sealy directly at [SealyH@gmail.com](mailto:SealyH@gmail.com) or by phone at 334-444-4527.

### StillWaters Annual July 4th Golf Cart Parade

This was a huge success and lots of fun for all involved. With over 81 carts/vehicles decorated and participating, the creativity and spirit of our StillWaters residents shined! Thanks to those who decorated a cart, joined in from the sidelines or shared photos with us.

The golf cart parade was started in 2021 with a suggestion and planning by residents **David and Patti Reaves** and has become a favorite tradition in our neighborhood. This is a wonderful example of owners stepping up to get involved in our community. David and Patti, thank you for your dedication, enthusiasm, and creativity. Your love for this community shows and the memories you have helped create mean so much to so many. Also, we are grateful to **Bob Taffet** who chairs our **Social Committee** and to **The Cart Source** for donating the delicious ice cream treats at the end of the event.

The 4th of July parades had been so well received that the first annual Christmas golf cart parade was held last year, and plans are already under way for this year. Suggestions included coordinating with a tree lighting ceremony and photo with Santa for the children, among others. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters,

If you have ideas for fun events whether big or small, now is the time to get involved. If you are interested, please contact Bob Taffet at [b.taffet@stillwatersra.com](mailto:b.taffet@stillwatersra.com) to volunteer



**SWRA Office will be closed**  
in observance of Labor Day  
**September 7th, 2026**



September 2026



## 6th Annual Golf Cart Parade





## Community Activities

### Think You're Not Creative? Think Again!

People often say, **"I'm just not creative."** But if you watched or participated in the StillWaters Golf Cart Parade, you saw **creativity to the max!**

Some of the people who decorated those amazing golf carts might tell you they aren't talented. But talent is often just a story we tell ourselves to explain why someone else can do something we haven't tried yet. With the right guidance, a little patience, and a community to cheer you on, **anyone can create a painting or craft they can be proud of.**

**Come join us!**

**Every Monday at 1:00 PM downstairs in the StillWaters Community Room.**

The **Lake Martin Area Artists** also use this time and space as an open studio. There's plenty of room, great lighting, encouragement, and good company.

Whether you're an experienced artist or someone who thinks you doesn't have a creative bone in your body, come give it a try. **You might surprise yourself!**

**Come join us! Contact Kay Fincher 256-825-2506**



*An Invitation from*

## The StillWaters Bridge Club

- ♠ We're looking for new members. Looking for fun, friendly competition and great camaraderie?
- ♥ We play party bridge on **Wednesdays** at the StillWaters Residential Centre starting at **9 AM**.
- ♦ We play Duplicate Bridge on **Fridays** at the StillWaters Residential Centre starting at **9 AM**.

*We would love to have you join us!*

♣ If you want to join in, have any questions or would need additional information, please feel free to call **Karen Phillips**, at **256-794-1854**.





## StillWaters Community Connection

### All for Ada Golf Tournament — Helping Bring Ada Home

StillWaters residents are invited to come together for a very special cause at the **All for Ada Golf Tournament** on **Friday, September 18** at **StillWaters Golf**. Tee time is **1:00 p.m.**

This tournament will benefit **Ada and her family** as they continue a long and courageous journey toward bringing their little girl home. Born unexpectedly at just 25 weeks, Ada has spent nearly 10 months in the NICU overcoming serious medical challenges, multiple surgeries, and months of specialized respiratory care.

Ada continues to make wonderful progress and is growing stronger each day. Before she can finally come home, her family is preparing for the specialized care she will need and working through the final stages of her hospital journey.

The tournament will include **lunch, door prizes, on-course contests, and plenty of fellowship**, all while supporting a StillWaters family during an incredibly important time in their lives.

Whether you play golf, become a sponsor, or simply help spread the word, your support will mean so much to Ada and her family.

**For more information or to register  
call 256-329-3954 or 256-307-1081.**



As the summer season comes to an end, please note the **Pineview Pool** located at **1816 StillWaters Drive**, will closing for the season on **Wednesday, September 30, 2026**.

The pool is scheduled to reopen on **March 1, 2027** or sooner if warmer weather permits.

Thank you for another wonderful pool season. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the spring!

**TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE LAKE. VISIT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES:**

**Dadeville Performing Arts:** <https://dadevilleperformingartscenter.com/calendar>

**LakeMartin.com:** <https://www.lakemartin.com/Events>

**All Events in Dadeville:** <https://allevents.in/dadeville-alcalender>

**Explore Lake Martin:** <https://explorelakemartin.com/events>





## COLW Final Service for 2026

### Church of the Living Waters at StillWaters

#### Guest Preacher Listing – 2026 Season

**All Services: Sunday 9:00-10:00 AM; Except Easter, 6:30 a.m.**

Sep 06 Dr. Tim Thompson - Jackson Gap Labor Day Closing

\*\*\* Communion served on September 6th

Please join us! Dress is casual. Actual address is 782 Lakeview Ridge Circle, across from the Golf Colony Villas - a short distance from the Harbor Pointe Marina in StillWaters. You can come by car, bike, golf cart, or boat - GPS Coordinates N 32° 44.554' W 085° 48.867'. You are cordially invited to examine our website at [www.colw-sw.com](http://www.colw-sw.com).



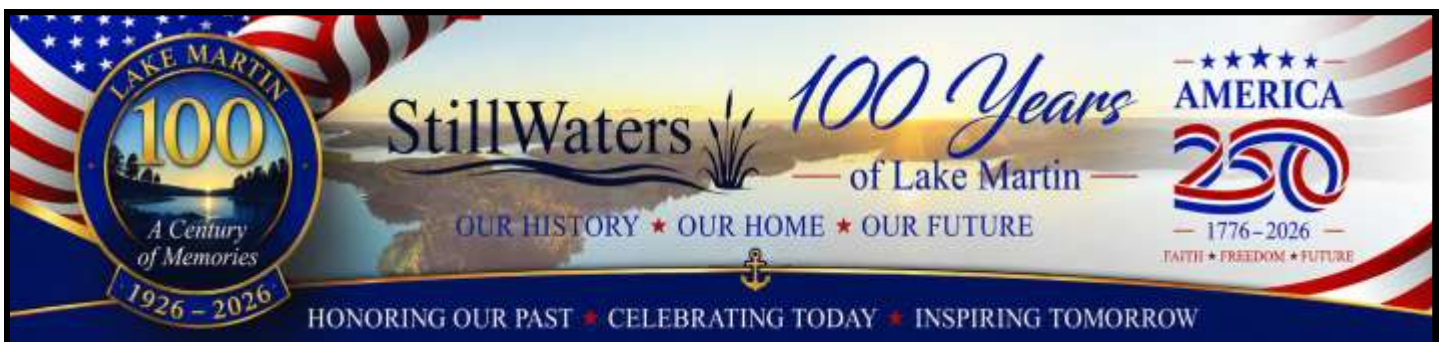
Dadeville's longtime Holiday Market is getting a makeover and we're inviting the whole community to be part of it!

EVERYTHING'S ART is working hard to grow the event with more vendors, more food, kids' crafts and activities, and more holiday shopping and fun than ever before.

Come to Patriot Park on November 14 from 9 am to 2 pm and discover handmade treasures, unique gifts, delicious food and plenty of Christmas spirit. Whether you've been coming for years or have never attended, this is the year to come see what's new!

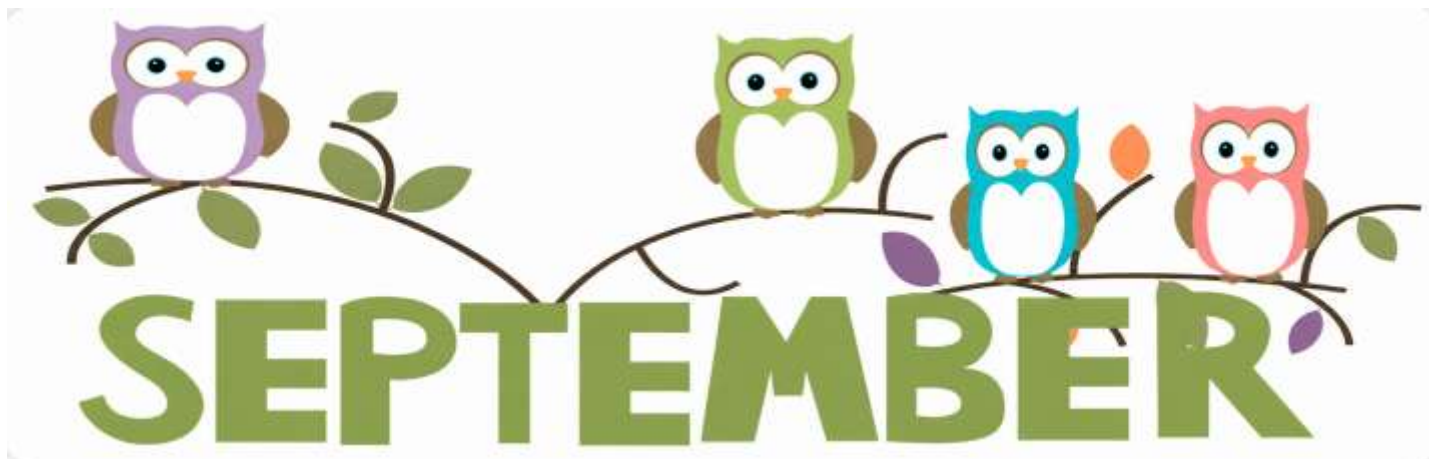
Shop local. Bring your family. Invite a friend. Help us make the Dadeville Hometown Holiday Market a holiday tradition our community can be proud of!

For more information email:  
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# SWRA CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

|           |                                                                                                                          |                                            |                                                                 |                                                                                                                                          |                                 |           |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
|           |                                                                                                                          | <b>1</b><br>SWRA<br>Board Meeting<br>9 AM  | <b>2</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM<br><br>ARC Meeting<br>4 PM       | <b>3</b>                                                                                                                                 | <b>4</b> Bridge<br>9AM-12PM     | <b>5</b>  |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b><br><br>SWRA OFFICE<br>CLOSED | <b>8</b>                                   | <b>9</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM                                  | <b>10</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>11</b> Bridge<br>9AM-12PM    | <b>12</b> |
| <b>13</b> | <b>14</b><br>Lake Martin<br>Creativity<br>Group<br>1 PM - 4 PM                                                           | <b>15</b><br>SWRA<br>Board Meeting<br>9 AM | <b>16</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM<br><br>ARC Meeting<br>4 PM      | <b>17</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>18</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM | <b>19</b> |
| <b>20</b> | <b>21</b><br>Lake Martin<br>Creativity<br>Group<br>1 PM - 4 PM                                                           | <b>22</b>                                  | <b>23</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM                                 | <b>24</b><br><br>Bookmobile<br>10:30AM to<br>11:30AM | <b>25</b> Bridge<br>9AM-12PM    | <b>26</b> |
| <b>27</b> | <b>28</b><br>Lake Martin<br>Creativity<br>Group<br>1 PM - 4 PM                                                           | <b>29</b>                                  | <b>30</b><br>Bridge<br>9AM-12PM<br><br>Pineview Pool<br>Closing |                                                                                                                                          |                                 |           |



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